



CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE FOR REGENERATIVE MEDICINE

TO: Interested Persons
FROM: C. Scott Tocher, CIRM
SUBJECT: Request for Public Comment: Definition of "California Supplier"
DATE: May 8, 2008

Health and Safety Code section 125290.30, subdivision (i), enacted with passage of Proposition 71, requires a California Institute for Regenerative Medicine ("CIRM") grantee to make a good faith effort to make at least 50 percent of its purchases of goods and services from "California suppliers" where reasonably possible. Pursuant to its authority under Proposition 71, the CIRM's governing board, the Independent Citizens Oversight Committee ("ICOC"), will consider adopting an interim regulation defining the term "California supplier" at its June 26-27, 2008, meeting. At that meeting, the ICOC will also consider authorizing CIRM to initiate a formal regulatory adoption process under the Administrative Procedure Act ("APA"). An interim regulation adopted by the ICOC remains in effect for 270 days unless earlier superseded by regulations adopted pursuant to the APA.

The ICOC requests comment from the public to assist the board in adopting an interim regulation defining "California supplier" and has authorized the following language to elicit feedback:

"As used in section 125290.30(i) and in CIRM policies and regulations, "California supplier" means any sole proprietorship, partnership, joint venture, corporation, or other business entity: (1) whose owners or policymaking officers are domiciled in California and whose permanent, principal office or place of business from which the supplier's trade is directed or managed is located in California; or (2) that employs at least one-third, with a minimum of 100, of its total employees in California; or (3) that produces, builds, or manufactures a product or products in California for the specific product or products which are used by CIRM grantees."

Comment regarding the proposed changes should be submitted to the CIRM not later than 5:00 p.m., June 9, 2008. Comments regarding this proposed action may be transmitted via e-mail to calsupplierreq@cirm.ca.gov ; by facsimile transmission to (415) 396-9141; or to CIRM offices at 210 King Street, San Francisco, CA, 94107, to the attention of C. Scott Tocher.